

Boston, Aug. 25-1848

My dear Friend May -

I very sincerely & heartily thank you & Mrs May for your kind invitation to my wife & myself to visit you at Leicester. It is to be added to many other acts & expressions of kindness on your part, the memory of which does so much to sweeten the cup of ^{my} existence. It would give us both great pleasure to spend a day or two with you in your beautiful home at Leicester. But I am afraid I must put it down among the things almost impossible, - at least for the present. - As the Vermont minister said about visiting Boston - "I have been to my purse, & behold it is very small & very empty." My expenses this summer, almost without my being aware of it, have increased considerably, - so as to prevent any indulgence of this sort. Still, by cutting my coat according to my cloth, I hope to make all square, - and to be able to do this is a higher satisfaction than any other. In fact I can't live or die in peace without it.

Give our grateful regards to Mrs May - with whom,

if she should spend another winter in town, I
hope my wife will become better acquainted.

Very truly & affectionately, yours

Robt. H. Wallcut.

P.S. I have had a letter from Brown's wife
at New Bedford, begging, almost screaming
for money. When you come down would it not
be well, if possible, to see Mr Wyman. From
what Mr Foster said last evening, I think ~~she~~
we are likely to have ^{more} trouble about this matter.

Wendell writes giving positive orders
from Ruggles to send Garrison no more papers
or letters. — Unfortunately I had just despatched
the weekly bundle, — though I went directly to
the Express Office to get the bundle back, it was
too late. It had departed.

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